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In the Application of

Rodrick A. HERDMAN : Confirmation No. 2657

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AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 1, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 10 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 24 of this paper and include both attached replacement sheets and annotated sheets showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 25 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 31 of this paper.